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BEGIN SUMMARY: COEC REVIEWED WORKING PAPER ON NATO CRISIS MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES AND ACCEPTED MINOR REVISIONS. PAPER WILL BE REISSUED. IN DISCUSSION ON THE SURVIVABILITY OF NATO HQ, COMMITTEE HEARD PROGRESS REPORT BY WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN REFLECTING IDEA OF RECONSTITUTING THE COUNCIL IN NORTH AMERICA AND POSSIBILITY OF COLLOCATING A WARTIME HEADQUARTERS WITH THE NICSMA HEADQUARTERS FACILITY, SHOULD IT BE DECIDED TO LOCATE IT AT EVERE. END SUMMARY.

1. CRISIS MANAGEMENT. FRG REP PETERS REQUESTED CERTAIN CHANGES TO AC/237- WP/84 TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT COMMITTEES CONCERNED WILL REVIEW THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF'S WORK. REVISIONS WERE ACCEPTED; PAPER WILL BE REISSUED SHORTLY.

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2. SURVIVABILITY OF THE NATO HQ. A. WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN HOFMAN CIRCULATED NOTE INDICATING STATUS OF DISCUSSIONS IN THE

POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND POSSIBILITY OF COLLOCATING A WARTIME HEADQUARTERS IN THE NICSMA HEADQUARTERS BUILDING. US REP (TUCKER) SAID THAT GIST OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ON MARCH 20 HAD BEEN REPORTED TO WASHINGTON AS A MODEL FOR RECONSTITUTION IDEA, AND THAT WASHINGTON CONCURRED WITH THE MODEL MEET;

(D) IF SIMPLE MAJORITY IS NOT PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN COMITE, THE COMITE CANNOT ELECT A BUREAU AND THERE WILL BE NO MEETING.

4. GA PRES HAD MADE DECISION, SYG SAID, AND HE DID NOT HAVE AUTHORITY NOR WOULD IT BE POLITICALLY ADVISABLE TO CHALLENGE PRES' S DECISION. SYG TOLD PHILLIPS THAT THOSE WHO OPPOSE WDC MUST UNDERSTAND HIS DELICATE POSITION.

5. RE SITE, WALDHEIM SAID THAT EASTERN EUROPEANS FAVOR GENEVA BUT THAT SINCE WDC WAS AT THIS POINT ESSENTIALLY A POLITICAL QUESTION, NEW YORK WAS MORE APPROPRIATE PLACE.

6. WALDHEIM NOTED THAT HIS LETTER ASKING FOR IDENTITIES OF MEMBER COUNTRIES' REPRESENTATIVES WOULD GIVE MEMBERS WHO OPPOSE CONVENING OF SPECIAL COMITE OPPORTUNITY TO RECORD NEGATIVE ATTITUDES FOR EXAMPLE, THAT MEMBERSHIP SELECTED BY TREPCZYNSKI IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

7. PHILLIPS TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE US POSITION ON WDC AND ON QUESTIONS RELATING TO SPECIAL COMITE, ADDING PERSONAL REGRET THAT SYG HAD BECOME INVOLVED IN CONTROVERSIAL ACTION BY GA PRESIDENT.  
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